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RESPONSE With Petition for Extension of Time

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This Response is being submitted in answer to the Election Requirement mailed October 4, 2004.

Claims 1-8 remain active in this application. The Examiner has required election between Claims 1-4, drawn to a method of diagnosing disorders of Alzheimer's disease, designated Group I, Claims 5-6, drawn to a method of diagnosing dementia and prion disease via measurement of acetylchlolinesterase bound to Con A, designated Group II and Claims 7-8, drawn to a method of diagnosing dementia and prion disease via measurement of butyrylchlolinesterase bound to Con A, designated Group III. Applicants elect to prosecute Group I at this time. This election is made without traverse. Applicants specifically reserve the right to file a divisional application to the non-elected Claims at an appropriate time.

Accompanying this Response is a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time thereby providing for the timely filing thereof. If there are any additional fees due in connection with the submission of this Response, the Patent & Trademark Office is authorized to charge any such fee Serial No. 10/051,653 Art Unit 1647 Page 2

to Deposit Account No. 03-3839. Please note the change in Attorney Docket No. for this application.

Favorable action on the merits of Claims 1-4 is respectfully requested.

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